Good morning Senator Gerratana and Representative Johnson and members of the Public Health Committee:

My name is Susan Bolea and I am a resident of Weston, CT.

I am writing to encourage you to pass the proposed bill.

I don't know where my family would be today without homeopathy. All of my children had asthma and croup growing up. They have grown out of it now, but nothing helped more than homeopathic remedies when they were having symptoms of croup, especially.

Its important to me to have access to well-trained homeopaths in Connecticut. Homeopathy is a safe, affordable and gentle modality of health care. I can't begin to tell you how much I believe in homeopathy and use it.

Why is access to homeopaths so limited in CT? There is an antiquated law from 1893 that says only medically trained people can practice homeopathy in CT, of which there are a very few. With so few homeopaths in CT, people either never hear about this option or must travel to another state to find a homeopath. This is an embarrassment for the state of CT.

What is proposed in this bill will keep the bar high by allowing nationally board certified classical homeopaths (CCHs) to be able to offer their services in CT. The CCH is the highest level of achievement for a professional homeopathy and the credential is recognized worldwide. I would enjoy having more homeopaths at this level to choose from.

Best Regards,

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